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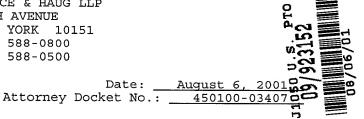
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With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of an application for patent in the name(s) of:

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entitled:

INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, INFORMATION READING APPARATUS AND METHOD, MAGNETIC TAPE FORMAT, AND RECORDING MEDIUM

X	following are enclosed: Specification (28 pages) 22 Sheet(s) of Drawings 20 Claim(s) (including 7 independent claim(s)) This application contains a multiple dependent claim					
_X	Our check for $\frac{$1030.00}{}$, calculated on the basis of the claims as amended by any enclosed preliminary amendment as follows:					
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Enclosed are papers constituting the above patent application which is being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53 without a signed Declaration. Please accord a filing date and a serial number to such application and inform the undersigned thereof so that a signed Declaration and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) may be duly filed.

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